

DESERTER, CAUGHT, COMMITS SUICIDE

Soldier Barricades Himself in Cellar After Father Calls Police

OTHER CITY NEWS BRIEFS

Zionists Celebrate Twentieth Anniversary of Movement by Big Meeting—Subscribe \$10,000

Paul Otto Schiller, an army deserter, fled from the police when his father set them on him yesterday, barricaded himself in a cellar and fought until he realized escape was impossible. Then he put his last bullet through his brain. The police believe he was insane.

Schiller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Schiller, of Myrtle street near Eleventh, a fine specimen of physical manhood, was his parents' pride when he enlisted last March and went to the Mexican border with Company E, Second Telegraph Battalion, of the Signal Corps.

After being transferred to Camp Vail, Little Silver, N. J., his letters home said he was tired of the army, and on September 22 he went home on a two-day furlough. He would not go back to the army, though his father, of German descent but a loyal American, urged him to.

Young Schiller fell among evil companions, drank heavily and acted strangely, even when sober. Finally he agreed with his father to go to the Federal Building and give himself up as a man who stayed away from his station without leave. They went together, but, by a ruse, the youth slipped away.

When the father saw him in a cigar store on Twelfth street he told the police. Schiller saw them coming and fled into the cellar of the house at 319 North Twelfth street, where he ended his life after his bullets had almost hit the police.

Zionists Observe Anniversary

Three thousand or more attended the celebration of the twentieth anniversary of the Zionist movement in the United States at the Metropolitan Opera House last night. Louis Edward Levy, president of the Philadelphia Jewish Community, presided and Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, of New York city, chairman of the Zionist Central Committee, declared victory for the Allies will aid Zionism. Zionism, he said, is in perfect harmony with the ideals of the Allied nations in their war against brutality.

Save Coal, Warns Doctor Krusen

Dr. Wilmer Krusen, Director of the Department of Health and Charities, has issued a bulletin containing instructions on saving coal and guarding health at the same time. Don't overheat the house, his says, and keep rooms moist by the air to counteract the effect of the heat, which has a tendency to dry the atmosphere.

Lansdowne Camp Is Closed

Lieutenant J. B. Skidmore, wounded at Ypres, where the Germans first used gas, is now on recruiting duty here for the 101st Cavalary Regiment, composed of men of the Military Training Corps at Lansdowne yesterday and then told the men of his experiences under German fire. Lansdowne camp closed yesterday and the men went to winter quarters in the army at Thirty-second street and Lancaster avenue.

Gift to University Museum

The University Museum has received a valuable set of medieval Japanese armor from Dr. Charles D. Hart, together with a unique Chinese dragon.

Church Is 125 Years Old

The 125th anniversary of the founding of the Immanuel German Lutheran Church at Frankford was celebrated with appropriate exercises yesterday. The Rev. Hennig von Bosse, pastor of the church, presided.

Give Dance for Mt. Sinai Hospital

The friends of Mt. Sinai Hospital gave their first dance of the season for the hospital's building fund last night in Apollo Hall, 1748 North Broad street. The ballroom decorations, donated by Jacob D. Litt, were flowers and garlands. The Misses Esther Wanger and Jennie Stevens offered fancy dances.

Sees Germany and Japan Allied

Japan and Germany will form an alliance against the rest of the world after this war, said the chairman of the American League of Nations, Walter Scott Elliott, secretary of the eastern agency of the American Bible Society, who has just arrived from China. He says the Chinese papers, controlled by Japan, are full of anti-American propaganda and the plans were preparing to invade the United States through Mexico when the United States entered the world war.

DU PONT OFFER TO BUY AETNA CO. DISAPPROVED

Offer of \$1,500,000 Inadequate, Federal Court Holds

WILMINGTON, Del., Oct. 15.—That E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. had made an offer to purchase the commercial plants and business of the Aetna Explosives Company, Inc., became known Saturday when Judge Mayer, in the United States District Court, in New York city, refused to sanction the sale under the terms offered. The Aetna Company is now being conducted by former Judge Holt and former Governor B. B. Odell, of New York, as receivers. The company has many plants which the receivers have been operating at a profit since they took hold.

du Pont Company offered \$1,500,000 for the commercial plants and business of the Aetna Company, but Judge Mayer instructed the receivers not to accept it on the ground that the price offered was inadequate.

DR. RICE GETS COMMISSION

Is Senior Lieutenant in Naval Reserve at Newport School

Dr. Alexander Hamilton Rice, explorer, who married Mrs. George D. Widener, of this city, has been commissioned senior lieutenant in the United States Naval Reserve and will be a member of the faculty of the cadet school of the reserve in the Second Naval District. He will have charge of the courses in navigation and astronomy. Both Dr. and Mrs. Rice have been deeply interested in the army and navy since war broke. He has been stationed at Newport since he was a cadet.

Join Quartermaster's Reserve

Local headquarters of the Quartermaster Reserve Corps is making a special drive for volunteer recruits. The following general enlistments are reported: Anthony G. Capt., 1607 South Broad street; John R. Sandring, 4509 Springfield avenue; Edward G. Thomas, Jr., 96 Glassboro avenue; Woodbury, N. J.; Jacob J. Miller, Jr., 42 West street; Woodbury, N. J.; Isaac Smith, 1333 North Twelfth street; Paul Malery, 1312 North Woodstock street; John J. Smith, 122 Green street; Edward J. Galia, 1312 Lombard street; James J. Murphy, 421 West Lombard street.

FAINTS AT SIGHT OF "DEAD" HUSBAND



Mrs. F. Roe Searing (left) and her sister. Searing, a contractor, was brought back to Philadelphia yesterday after two years' absence, dating from his disappearance while bathing at Atlantic City. His wife, believing him dead, had sued for his life insurance. Confronted by her husband in City Hall last night, Mrs. Searing collapsed.

SEARING'S WIFE HEART-BROKEN

Wife of Contractor Believed Drowned Collapses in Court, Withdrawing Suit

THE ETERNAL TRIANGLE

By M'LISS

Events in the Searing case today moved swiftly, if dramatically, following the identification yesterday of Frederick Roe Searing, former contractor of this city, by his wife, Mrs. Nancie K. Searing, who believing her husband to have been drowned two years ago at Atlantic City, has been waging a legal battle to recover his insurance—about \$18,000.

Pale, weary and drab, Searing and Miss Elizabeth Rendell, his former stenographer, who, according to the police, followed him to New Orleans after the supposed drowning and lived there with him, the both of them as Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Reynolds, appeared in court today for a brief moment. They clung to each other like bits of human wreckage in an unfriendly sea. In default of bail they were committed to Moyamensing on the charge of conspiring to defraud two life insurance companies.

Meanwhile in the Federal Court the wife, who until she had the proof of her own eyes yesterday, would not believe in her husband's duplicity, collapsed after the testimony that the man who was brought back from the southern city was her husband. Former Judge W. W. Porter, Mrs. Searing's counsel, stated that in view of the identification Mrs. Searing wished proper disposition of the case and Judge Thompson instructed the jury to render a verdict for the defendants, the Equitable Life Insurance Company and the Continental Company.

The Rendell girl, who lived at 4904 Walton avenue, seemed as far removed from the strenuous life of a woman who has wedded a man, and sedately attired in a drab suit and a worn old summer hat, the drooping brim of which almost obscured her face, the girl peered from behind her glasses with fidgeting eyes. She was brought into the crowded Quarter Sessions Court.

Her sister, Miss May Rendell, with white face and tightened lips, accompanied the girl, and later visited her in her cell in City Hall. Searing stood next to the girl who, according to his confession, came to New Orleans when he wrote her a letter asking that she follow him. As they were arraigned he touched her arm more as if to gather comfort than to give it. Heidgetted uneasily in a baggy suit that seemed three sizes too large for him as they took him back to his cell.

The Eternal Triangle of the novelists, perhaps, but one with all the sourness and gloom that a heart-broken, too-credulous wife can impress upon it. When detectives announced a few days ago that Searing had been arrested in New Orleans in company with Miss Elizabeth Rendell, of 4904 Walton avenue, who was his stenographer when he was in business in Philadelphia, Mrs. Searing refused to believe. She thought the detectives were mistaken. From that time she was under severe nervous strain and when Searing was brought back and she went to City Hall to see if he really was her husband she recognized him and the strain was too great.

PAIR BROUGHT TO CITY Searing and Miss Rendell, who, according to the detectives, have lived in New Orleans since August, 1915, came here yesterday in custody of R. C. Cowan, operative for the New Orleans branch of a private detective agency, and Richard Doyle, of the Philadelphia Detective Bureau. They were taken immediately to cells in City Hall. First recognition of Searing took place

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lines, recognized me and wrote back saying my wife had believed me dead and was applying for my life insurance. I determined then to leave her under the impression I was dead, knowing that, with my insurance money, she would be well cared for. Then I asked Miss Rendell to join me in New Orleans."

Miss Rendell said, according to Captain Tate: "I did not know who the letter was from at first. When I realized it was from Mr. Searing I went to New Orleans immediately. We worked very hard together and lived happily for months. He told me he had found life anew and wanted me to help him forget his old one. We are both glad it is over, as the suspense was becoming unbearable."

FUNERAL OF CHAS. T. GROSWITT

Services for Well-Known Clubman Tomorrow Afternoon

The funeral of Charles T. Gros Witt, well known in Republican politics and member of many clubs, who died Saturday at his home, 3435 Chestnut street, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. The Rev. Samuel W. Purvis, of the Thirtieth Street Methodist Episcopal Church, will conduct the service and burial will be in Arlington Cemetery.

FRIENDS GO TO INDIANA

Philadelphia Will Attend Richmond Meeting as Individuals

A "Friends' car" will leave Broad Street Station at 8 o'clock tonight, carrying Philadelphia Friends as individuals to the Five Years' Meeting of Friends, representing a membership of 10,000, which will begin at Richmond, Ind., tomorrow and close October 28.

Sketch Club Exhibition Opens

An exhibition of summer sketches made by members of the Philadelphia Sketch Club will open this afternoon at 235 South Camac street. The exhibition will open at 10 o'clock and close at 6 o'clock and continue until November 3.

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